

A BOOK OF CON NY-CATCHING
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say little thereto unless he saw her naked,
hoping thereby to
ha\ e shifted the gentleman off by this
extraordinary imposition
Nevertheless the gentleman, persisting in his
demand, caused
his wife to show herself and twice she walked up
and down the
chamber naked m presence of Mr Doctor, who
being demanded
again the former question, quoth he, * from me-
ward it is a boy
and to me-ward it is a girl^l Wherefore the
gentleman was
greatly offended, calling him * ass, dolt, patch,
cockscomb,
knave ' and all other names he could devise
About four days
after the gentlewoman fell m labour and was
delivered of a boy
and a girl, whereat the gentleman
remembering the blunt
answer of the Doctor and finding it to be true,
was greatly
astonished, supposing he had wronged the Doctor
, and there-
upon in recompense of amends granted him his
house at com-
mandment

4-th September SIR E DYMOCK AND THE EARL OF
LINCOLN

Upon the last Sunday in August, Sir Edward
Dymock with
certain of his friends and neighbours having
conceived an injury
of the Earl of Lincoln hath offered my Lord very
gross abuse at
Horncastle, by acting a play on the green hard by
the maypole
called *The Lord of Kyme*, to which the people
and divers
neighbours were invited Herein by name one
counterfeited
the person of the Earl of Lincoln with his features
and speeches,
being fetched away by the Devil, and another
played the vice
who bequeathed his wooden sword to the Earl,
and his cocks-
comb and bauble to the people that did not go to
Horncastle
with Sir Edward Dymock when he made a riot
there about a
month since There was also a *dvnge nos Domine*

sung by most
 of the known whores of London, Lincoln and
 Boston, with *ora*
pro nobis to the end of every verse Also at the
 end of the play
 one having a minister's gown and corner cap,
 standing in a
 pulpit made for that purpose, uttered a profane
 prayer and
 preached a sermon out of the book of Mab

jth September- THE DEATH OF MR GEORGE
 GILPIN

Three days since died Mr George Gilpin at the
 Hague who
 hath served there as her Majesty's agent, in
 whom her Majesty
 hath long a very sufficient servant, in whose
 place another will